

# The CCHS Newsletter

Carroll County Historical Society P. O. Box 1308 Carrollton, GA 30112

MAY 2012

# Carroll County Historical Society's Meeting Thursday May 3 rd, 6:30 pm the Foster Room of the Neva Lomason Library

# Suzanne K. Durham presents her new book: Images of America: Around Carrollton.



Suzanne K. Durham, the author of the successful book, *Then & Now: Carrollton*, will introduce us to her latest book. *Images of America: Around Carrollton* contains over 200 vintage photographs and memories drawn

from various collections owned by the Ingram Library at the University of West Georgia and private collections. These previously unpublished photographs depict highlights of the area's history from about 1885 to 1960. Durham has been head of special collections at UWG since 2007.



*Around Carrollton*, Arcadia Publishing, \$21.99. Available at local retailers, online bookstores, or Arcadia Publishing at www.arcadiapublishing.com or 888-313-2665.

## Page 2 Paintings Donated to the Carroll County Historical Society



1910 Cotton Sale Adamson Square, Carrollton



**Round Barn, Hickory Level Community** 



1912 Auto Parade Adamson Square, Carrollton



Iron Train on Newnan Street

CCHS has 14 paintings of Carroll County historical buildings and scenes which were donated by the former owner of the old Lake Carroll Mall McDonalds when he retired and sold the restaurant. Mrs. Jean Grunwald of Fairfield Plantation was commissioned to paint the 14 scenes of historical buildings around Carroll County. Jean was a merchandising sketch artist for the former Rich's Store in Atlanta. Many will remember the paintings and enjoy seeing them again. We expect them to be displayed soon in the newly restored Carrollton Depot. The remaining paintings will be featured in upcoming newsletters.

We want to thank Jim Barns for donating the paintings in 2007 and the two local banks who have protected and displayed them in their main offices until we were ready for them.

#### West Georgia Textile Heritage Trail Conference

You are invited to the West Georgia Textile Heritage Trail Conference being held April 30, 2012, at Sewell Mill in Bremen, GA. The conference will provide information about historic textile resources and their benefits to our community. The Georgia Department of Economic Development and the State Historic Preservation Office will discuss the economic development, heritage tourism, marketing, tax incentives, and preservation of the Trail. The program format will provide opportunities for you to share ideas and ask questions. The registration fee is \$20 and includes conference materials and a catered lunch. Additional information is available at: http://westgatextiletrail.wordpress.com/2012-conference/

The West Georgia Textile Heritage Trail seeks to educate locals and visitors about the history of textile mills along US Hwy 27 from Dalton to LaGrange. The trail will develop heritage tourism aids such as interpretive signage, brochures, and tours to engage public interest. A website will provide additional details and pictures. The textile industry has been an important part of the area's cultural history and economic development.

The West Georgia Textile Heritage Trail program is lead by Keith Hebert, Director. Checks should be made payable to: UWG Foundation/Center for Public History and mailed to:

Keith Hebert Department of History TLC Building University of West Georgia Carrollton, GA 30118

### Memorial Day Ceremony at Veterans Memorial Park, Saturday, May 26, 2012 at 10:00 AM

A Memorial Day Celebration will be held at the Carroll County Veterans Memorial Park to remember and honor our Veterans who have protected us and preserved our freedom. The featured speaker will be Daniel Jackson, President/CEO of the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce, who has helped with many of the Park programs.

The Park seeks to honor all veterans connected with Carroll County who have served their country in any branch of the military.

Everyone is invited to come and participate in this Memorial Day Ceremony and see first-hand the progress being made there. Currently, work is progressing on Wall of Honor No. 21.

#### **Stories of Carroll County History**

The CCHS Newsletter is looking for interesting local stories from the past. If you have a family or local history story to share, we would like to hear from you.

Please contact Janice Ivester at jhivester@hi-s.com with the details.

#### A Message from President Mel Steely

Our April program with Joe McGinnis talking about his novel about old Carrollton kept us smiling and guessing which character was who from our past. Our May program promises to be as entertaining. Suzanne Durham, Ingram Library archivist, is coming off her triumphal work on the new Thomas B. Murphy office recreation at the UWG (Ingram) library. Ms Durham has a good deal of experience in putting together books reflecting the "then and now" via pictures. She has a treasure trove of material in the library's special collections, which she oversees, and has already done one book of old Carroll Co. She will talk about her latest book, available at Horton's Book Store, which adds to the previous one on Carroll County. May 3rd. Don't miss it!

The CCHS Board met on the 19th and it was decided to not have an awards program on an annual basis but to continue the tradition every other year. That means we will not have a spring/summer awards dinner. CCHS will not meet in June, July and August but will resume regular meetings in September. Ben Moon will have our Sept. program with a history of Tanner hospital. We WILL, however, have our regular summer picnic in August. We have not settled on a date or location but it will be before school starts

If you have not paid your 2012 dues, please do it now. It is also a good time to talk to your friends who have an interest in Carroll County history and get them to join if they are not already members. Every month we get one or two new members but are hoping that will double or triple in the near future.

-Mel Steely



can look, listen, and learn through interactive panels, listening kiosks, and

tailored displays. Visit the New Harmonies exhibition for an inspiring and toe-tapping taste of American roots music

The tour schedule for the Georgia exhibit locations are: Calhoun, Madison, Darien, Perry, Moultrie, Toccoa, Bremen, Thomason, Nashville, Americus, Waycross, and LaGrange. The tour begins April 14, 2012, and ends November 26, 2013. You can get the specific dates for the different locations and learn more at: www.georgiahumanities.org.

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